



Department of Linguistics

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SPARK Undergraduate Research Awards

Thanks to a generous endowment created by Michael H. and Nancy E. Scarbrough, the Department of Linguistics is able to offer funding to support undergraduate research projects. There are two categories of awards, which are described below.

(1) Undergraduate travel awards

Students may receive from \$250 to \$500 to support travel to present their research at a regional or national conference during the current academic year (2025-26, including Summer 2026). The award may be used to support conference travel that has already taken place, or planned travel for a presentation that has been accepted. Please submit the attached application form, together with the abstract for your presentation, a copy of the official notification of the acceptance of your presentation, and a letter of support from the faculty mentor supervising the research project.

(2) Undergraduate research projects

Students may receive up to \$1000 to fund a research project. Please submit the attached application form, together with a detailed project proposal and a budget, as well as a letter of recommendation from a faculty mentor who will supervise your work. For research involving human subjects, please also include a copy of the IRB approval for the project. Students must present the results of their research at a departmental symposium upon completion of the project.

Note that this funding may be subject to limits on financial aid eligibility for the semester in which the award is received. Please contact the Office of Financial Aid if you have questions.

Application deadline: March 2nd, 2026

Please submit applications to Ms. Amy Smoler
142 Gilbert Hall
linguistics@uga.edu

Department of Linguistics
Undergraduate Travel Awards Application Form

Name: _____ 81#: _____

Address: _____

Permanent address: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

Conference Name: _____

Location: _____ Dates: _____

Presentation Title: _____

Type of Presentation: ☐ Poster ☐ Paper

Faculty advisor: _____

Estimated/Actual costs:

Travel _____

Accommodations _____

Food _____

Conference registration _____

Total _____

If the planned conference travel does not take place, I agree to return the full amount of the award.

Signature

Date

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Please attach the following:

1. Abstract of presentation
2. Notification of acceptance of presentation
3. Letter of support from faculty advisor



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Undergraduate Research Project Application Form

Name: _____ 81#: _____

Address: _____

Permanent Address: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

Project Title: _____

Period for which funding is requested: _____

Faculty advisor: _____

Please attach the following:

1. Description of project (max: 2 pages)

Your description should include an overview of the project and its significance, as well as a detailed outline of the work for which you are requesting funding and a timeline for completion.

2. Budget and budget justification

Please include supporting documentation and explanations for planned expenses.

3. Recommendation letter from faculty advisor

I agree to give a formal presentation of my research results at a departmental symposium within one semester after the completion of the project. If the proposed research does not take place, I agree to return the full amount of the award.

Signature

Date



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